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## New Shifted Transfer on Thirty Cent Stamp

**W**HAT is perhaps the most remarkable shifted transfer on any U. S. stamp has recently been discovered on the current 30c Buffalo Stamps. Scott lists a shift on this stamp but not this one. The newly discovered shift is on the right hand side of the stamp, the word POSTAGE being doubled and the shift showing plainly in the figure 30 and below the edge of the frame line. The shift is so clear and distinct that it is readily seen without a glass and is, we believe, the most pronounced shift that has appeared on U. S. stamps.

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## The Association For Stamp Exhibitions



THE Association for Stamp Exhibitions was incorporated February 9, 1912, for the main purpose of holding the International Exhibition in New York in 1913.

Its charter, however, through the vision of its founders was drawn a little more broadly and the principal objects for which the corporation was formed, are given as follows: "for the purpose of establishing and holding public exhibitions of postage stamps; of encouraging and developing the study of philately; of advancing the general knowledge of kindred subjects and to that end, of furnishing popular instruction, and that the territory in which the operations of the corporation are to be principally conducted, is the United States of America."

There were originally thirty directors, ten of whom were to be elected each year for a period of three years, and it might be of interest to publish the list with the period of service:

One year—J. P. Benkard, J. B. Chittenden, C. H. Eagle, A. Hatfield, Jr., J. A. Klemann, J. B. Leavy, J. T. Lozier, C. L. Pack, T. E. Steinway and T. L. Wells.

Two years—J. M. Bartels, P. G. Doane, F. C. Earl, E. Goldschmidt, H. M. Lewy, J. Levy, J. C. Morgenthau, A. E. Owen, E. B. Power and J. S. Rich.

Three years—C. S. Brandenburg, C. Gregory, W. H. Hendrickson, E. Klein, J. N. Luff, H. C. Needham, W. W. Randall, J. W. Scott, F. Spiegelberg and G. R. Tuttle.

Of these thirty directors, there are ten who have been active continuously in the affairs of the Association from the very beginning, nine have resigned and eleven have died.

The officers of the Association, with their tenure of office, are as follows:

President — J. C. Morgenthau, 1912-1929; A. F. Litchenstein, 1930.

Vice-President — J. M. Bartels, 1912-1914; A. E. Owen, 1914-1927; A. F. Litchenstein, 1927-1930; Charles Currie, 1930.

Secretary—J. B. Leavy, 1912-1912; J. A. Klemann, 1912.

Treasurer—J. W. Scott, 1912-1919; T. E. Steinway, 1919.

The first business of the Association was to hold an International Exhibition in New York City from October 27th to November 1st, 1913. This was the first exhibition of its kind held in New York, and the stamps were displayed on the third, fourth and fifth floors of the Engineering Societies Building, approximately 70,000 square feet of floor space.

The stamps were shown under glass in 516 frames, 40 by 60 inches, a total of approximately 8,570 square feet, and there were 181 exhibitors with a total number of 331 exhibits.

The success of this exhibition was most marked and the visitors, especially those from abroad who were accustomed to international exhibitions, stated that they had never seen an exhibition like it.

The total cost of the exhibition was \$10,886.89.

At the close of the exhibition the officers and directors decided that it would be well to continue

the organization, and in order to put it on a continuing basis, the constitution was amended and the dues were fixed at \$1 annually. The record shows that there were 749 members enrolled prior to the exhibition, and by the time of the annual meeting in March, 1915, this number had dropped to 135 active members; after that, the membership increased slowly, till in 1924 the number stood at 195.

Late in 1924 plans were laid for the 1926 International Exhibition in New York, and at the time of the annual meeting in March, 1925, papers were filed with the New York State Department, increasing the number of directors from thirty to forty-five and the change was made in the by-laws, increasing the dues from \$1 to \$2 annually.

With the exhibition in view a drive for members was made and the record showed 915 members at the time of the exhibition.

The exhibition of 1926 was without doubt the largest and most successful philatelic exhibition held anywhere in the world even to this time. The program was a most ambitious one, but every obstacle was overcome by the officers and the Exhibition Committee, and the success of the exhibition was more than merited.

The entire fourth floor of the Grand Central Palace with over 30,000 square feet of floor space was secured for the entire period of October 16th to 23rd, 1926, and in this vast space were placed 1024 frames on easels, each frame 4 feet wide by 5 feet high, making a total of 20,480 square feet of exhibition surface. The labor involved in planning this exhibition, making the easels and frames, procuring the glass and other neces-

sities was colossal, but as great as this undertaking was, the task of mounting the exhibits properly without injury, cannot be conceived by anyone who has not undertaken or tried to do this work. There were 286 exhibitors with a total of 650 exhibits. The total cost of the exhibition was \$74,230.88.

While the charter of the association states that the purpose of establishing and holding exhibitions was one of the principal objects for which the corporation was formed among other things, and that the territory in which the operations of the corporation are to be principally conducted, is the United States of America, the association has supported both philatelically and financially every important exhibition held both in the United States and abroad. Its activities in this regard have been practically universal as the foreign list includes exhibitions at London, Toronto, Montreal, Monaco, Durban, Strasbourg, Melbourne, Havre, Danzig, Barcelona, Algiers, Antwerp, Montevideo, Amsterdam and Berlin, while its support has been given to American exhibitions at Cleveland, St. Louis, Tacoma, Oakland, Harrisburg and others of smaller independent nature, but quite liberally to the annual A. P. S. exhibitions, the first of which recently showed such marked success at Minneapolis and the second coming soon in Boston.

It will be remembered that in 1925 the Board of Directors was increased to forty-five and the present board, with date of election, is constituted as follows:

#### 1 Year (1931)

A. W. Claffin (1928), H. M. Clark (1915), A. Good (1928), J. H. Hall, Jr. (1928), F. R. Harris (1930), J. A. Klemann (1912), A.

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#### 3 Years (1933)

C. M. Ams (1925), S. Barrett (1925), H. A. Diamant (1930), F. Hutchins (1925), E. Klein (1912), J. J. Klemann, Jr. (1925), J. N. Luff (1912), H. C. Needham (1912), S. Newbury (1927), C. J. Phillips (1924), E. P. Radford (1927), J. S. Rich (1912-15, 1925), G. Sloane (1925), E. Stern (1919), A. H. Wilhelm (1927).

The Executive Committee consists of fourteen, ten members in addition to the four officers, as follows:

A. F. Lichtenstein, Charles Curie, J. A. Klemann, T. E. Steinway, C. M. Ams, J. M. Bartels, H. M. Clark, F. R. Harris, J. J. Klemann, Jr., H. M. Lewy, H. L. Lindquist, J. N. Luff, C. K. B. Nevin, C. J. Phillips.

This is the active group of the association and the main spring around which revolve its principal activities, and in times like the present, when there is no great international exhibition to work for, these activities consist in helping in every way possible any exhibition which is sponsored by a properly constituted philatelic organization and according to certain accepted standards.

In order to be able to continue this support, it is necessary to have a substantial membership, and as the dues are only \$2 a year and the benefits accruing to the individual collector proportionately larger, there is no reason why every philatelist in the country should not be a member of this organization. Membership blanks may be secured from the treasurer, Theodore E. Steinway, 109 West 57th Street, New York City, or the secretary, John A. Klemann, 70 Nassau Street, New York City, or you can make application on your own letterhead, enclosing \$2 remittance direct to the treasurer.

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## GREECE

Mr. P. Drossos has kindly furnished the following information. "The Ministry of Communications, has issued an order, to the effect, that the 25 and 50 drachma stamps of this issue, are not to be freely sold over the counter any more, but only sold, to a purchaser of a complete set. This measure may perhaps also be extended to the 15 and 20 drachma stamps also."

## HAYTI

Mr. Otto Knopp has sent us an interesting variety of the 1 gourde airmail stamp showing a vertical line of color through the first "S" of "Postes." This was caused no doubt by some sharp instrument striking the plate at this point.

## HONDURAS

Another airmail provisional has been received. The 20c brown of the 1924 issue has been surcharged in four lines "Servicio aereo—Vale 5 centa—vos oro—Mayo" and it is stated that 20,000 were issued. As usual many varieties of wrong font letters and errors are to be found, the most important of which are listed below.



Airmail Stamp  
Unwmkd—Perf 11

5c on 20c brown, type A24  
Varieties  
No period after Oro (No. 4)  
No period after Mayo (19)  
Italic "5" (No. 10)

## ICELAND

It is reported that Iceland will issue a set of five airmail commemorative stamps about June 1st. The values will be 15a, 20a, 35a, 50a and 1 Krona.

## MEXICO

We have been shown the 20c Aviation Week stamp overprinted "Oficial" in red instead of in black, but we cannot supply any definite information as to its status. Some time ago the Mexican Government announced that no more surcharged official airmail stamps would be issued to the public and as this variety seems to have been issued after this notice, we are impelled to believe that it was issued for the benefit of local speculators. It is stated 1,200 copies were overprinted.

## SWEDEN

The two airmail stamps reported in this column on May 17th are now to hand. They are very handsome and should be popular with all collectors. Printed by the rotary press and issued in coil form.



Airmail Stamps  
Unwmkd—Perf 10 Vertically

10 ore deep blue  
50 ore deep violet

## A. P. S. CHAPTER 18

The next dinner-meeting of Philadelphia Chapter 18, American Philatelic Society, will be held in the Green or Gray Room of the Arcadia Cafe, Thursday, June 19, at 6:30 p. m. This will be the last meeting before the convention. It is proposed to discuss at this meeting Stamp Illustrations in Philatelic Publications.

Mr. James Starr will exhibit his specialized collection of Chinese special delivery stamps, as written for the Collectors' Club Philatelist. There will be other exhibits, as well as elimination exhibits covering the selection of four junior exhibits, sponsored by the chapter, to be sent to the National Exhibition at Boston in August.

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## NOTES ON NEW STAMPS

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A curious development from our northern neighbor is at hand. In place of 90c in postage on a parcel received from Montreal there is a strip of paper an inch wide by three inches long bearing this inscription in eight short lines.

May 27 192  
CANADA  
Postage Paid  
Port Paye  
\$0.90 B  
No. 504  
MONTREAL  
1930

The strip of paper is pasted on the parcel just as a stamp would be, is not postmarked, as the inscription takes care of that, and is saw-toothed perforated at both ends. It evidently comes in rolls and is printed and torn off just as sealing tape is used in many grocery stores. The paper on which it is thus printed is white, with a faint gray overprint in design bearing the words "Canada Postage" and the crown and maple leaf. Mr. Robert Gordon submitted this specimen.

## SWEDEN

The two new air post stamps forecast in the May 17th issue are at hand. These are of 10 and 50 ore denominations, the 10 ore being a deep blue, the 50 a dark violet. A fine bit of engraving, as they give an almost perfect impression of a plane flying by night over the town hall at Stockholm. The usual simplicity of design and perfection of detail found in Swedish stamps.

They are on unwatermarked paper, printed in horizontal coils of 100, with a guide line (vertical) every 12th stamp. Perforated 10 vertically. I have a pair of the 50 ore with the guide line and paste-up coincident, but examination of several strips of fifty failed to show another paste-up so their period of occurrence is uncertain, certainly rather scarce.

## SOUTHERN RHODESIA

1d scarlet Type A1, perforated 12½. This unheralded variety I picked up from a local dealer today who bought them in a vertical strip of forty with a paste-up every 10th stamp. No plausible explanation so far, as it is perforated on all sides, precluding the possibility of being a coil. Evidently a new variety however, because the only perforation listed by Scott is 14 to 14½.

JUNIOR STAMP CLUB  
A SUCCESS

The Avalon Park Stamp Club, a junior organization for boys from 9 to 16 is ending its first season with an unusual record of success. Starting February 8, 1930, in the south side of Chicago at the suggestion of Walter Olson, 8007 Blackstone Ave., and directed by Major Ralph A. Kimble, it has built up a membership of more than seventy boys, all active collectors.

Meetings are held every Wednesday evening in the Avalon Park Branch of the Chicago Public Library, 1425 East 81st Street, and the average attendance has been over thirty at all times. Program consists of a talk on some pertinent subject, a display of collections, round-table discussion and a short auction of members offerings.

June 20-21st., there will be the tries. Outside judges will pick the first annual exhibit of the club with seven competitive classes of winners for which excellent prizes are provided. It is open only to members for competition, but outside loan displays are welcome.

One feature which has been very successful in stimulating interest has been the weekly contest of wits along some philatelic line for which points of credit are given to the winners. These points accumulate to the time of the exhibit when the winners will receive prizes in proportion to their points. More than 1,000 points credit have been piled up thus far. Linn's Weekly Stamp News is the unofficial (no formal organization has been effected yet) publication of the club, and many of the prize questions have been taken from its columns.

## GOOFY POSTMARKS

The International Odd Postmark Society is a new organization that will no doubt attract a lot of collectors who get that foolish feeling about queer and odd postmarks. Collectors interested in learning more about this new society can get in touch with Joseph Madison, 545 O'Farrell Street, San Francisco, Calif. The Great Lakes Philatelist is to act as official organ of the society.

Just as a sample of what can be turned up Mr. Madison sends us a handsome red postmark on a full cover from Brasie Corners, N. Y. The envelope is autographed by Nina C. Brasie, Postmistress.

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## CINCINNATI S. P. A.

Cincinnati Stamp Collectors' Club, Branch No. 2, Society of Philatelic Americans, held their regular election Thursday evening, June 5, at which James D. Shoemaker was elected president; Clem A. Schmalz, vice president; Edw. J. Goetz, secretary and treasurer, and Elmer C. Pierce, trustee for three years. After the election a general good time was had and many fine stamps were shown. The closing of the season will be Thursday, June 19, with a big banquet at the Cincinnati Zoo. Dr. W. P. McGay of Cleveland, president of the S. P. A., will be the guest of honor.

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**WE'RE WELL SATISFIED** With the paper we mailed you last week. We

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committee of one to get another subscription for us at once, inside of two months time we could produce the paper that is due to American collectors.

## NEW ISSUE EDITOR

Our New Issue Review Editor, Mr. Eugene N. Costales, has been in very poor health for some time. Mr. Costales tells us that his doctor has advised him to take things as easy as possible and he feels obliged to ask us to procure someone else to fill the place that he has occupied since the establishment of this feature in our publication.

We deeply regret the loss of Mr. Costales. We have greatly appreciated the fine work that he has done for us thus far. We feel certain that we can ask for and have his continued support for the new man that is to take his place. We are in touch with different parties, looking toward picking a man for the work and we believe that we have already found the logical man.

We hope next week to announce the name of the new editor of this department and although he is not a nationally known figure in the stamp world we feel confident from our knowledge of him that within a year he will be recognized as an authority on his subject.

## ASSOCIATION FOR STAMP EXHIBITIONS

In this number of Linn's Weekly is printed a very thorough article on the Association for Stamp Exhibitions. This association is exactly what its name implies. It will be worth the while of every collector to read the article carefully and thinking collectors will readily recognize the desirability of supporting this association. It is true, there are no direct benefits as are offered in other societies yet we doubt if any society membership will eventually bring the true stamp collector such great returns for the cost of membership as will come from supporting this association.

We urge every one of our readers who can afford to subscribe to this association to do so. The work of this association makes possible many of the stamp exhibitions that are held throughout the country and contributes much toward the success of some of the local shows. Their assistance is freely given in all efforts to promote displays and it has become a recognized fact that the stamp show is one of the best advertisements for philately.

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**SILVER WEDDING** Last week the Editor had the pleasure of announcing the arrival of a grandson and this event coming as it did on May 30, simply upset the usual even run of affairs at our house to such an extent that we almost forgot to tell our readers that June 4th was the 25th wedding anniversary of the Editor and Mrs. Linn. But what is a 25th wedding anniversary alongside of a grandson. The principal reason for mentioning this fact at this late date is to thank a friend who must keep a card index on the life and affairs of all stamp collectors with whom he corresponds. This man is Eugene Schlegel of Nurnberg, Germany. What could surprise one more than to receive from Germany on an occasion of this sort, a beautiful greeting card done in silver and extending good luck and greetings for our 25th anniversary. To say that it was a surprise is but a mild way of expressing our astonishment when we opened the envelope which bore this card from Germany.

Mr. Schlegel surely must have a wonderful system of keeping track of his friends when he can check back 25 years and time his letters to greet a friend on an occasion of this sort.

Our hat is off to Friend Schlegel and may we hope that he will enjoy the same event we have just passed by and that he may also live to have a fiftieth.

**SAMUEL GITTIS OF PHILADELPHIA**, who has been one of our advertising patrons for many months and who by the way is rapidly developing as one of Philadelphia's leading dealers, has just recently bought out the entire stock of Paul Dernoedon and has taken a down-town location at 907 Filbert Street. We wish Mr. Gittis the best of luck at his new location and feel sure that Philadelphia collectors will welcome a new stamp store in which to browse around.

**ONE OF OUR MOST PERSISTENT** writers is Lawrence H. Lewis of Groton, Mass. Brother Lewis has frequently reported excellent results from his advertising in our paper and he also approves of the way in which we handle his advertising copy. It is because of such advertising patrons as he that we know that space well used will bring satisfactory returns. Mr. Lewis usually changes his copy every week and we feel that this is one of the reasons he is getting satisfactory returns.

**KINGS' HOBBY IS A NEAT** little monthly paper published at 79 Sudbury Street, Boston, Mass. E. C. Eaton of the Reliance Stamp Company, is editor and Brother Eaton is one of those good old fashioned men who feel that in dealing in stamps, he is obliged to give his customers their money's worth.

**9.5 SECONDS, COLUMBUS, Ohio**—Such was the address on a letter mailed at Richmond, Virginia, and it was delivered to George Simpson, Ohio State University track star. Thus we have in our midst a national figure who gets his mail like any of the other notables.

**THE FIRST ISSUE OF HONG KONG** is the feature article in the latest number of the Emco Monthly Circular of the Marks Stamp Company. Each month this circular contains some very interesting matter on some certain issue of stamps. Besides the feature the circular always features many fine offers in stamps that are in demand as well as an offering of the older issues, too.

#### INTERNATIONAL STAMP CLUB ELECTS

At the last meeting of the club held at the club rooms, 2647 East 24th St., Brooklyn, N. Y., the tenth annual election was held. The officers elected were: Mr. Gilmore E. Martin, president; (former vice president of the S. P. A.) Mr. Austin A. Beaujon, vice-president; Mr. Carroll Lovering, secretary; and Mr. Albert P. Meyer, treasurer. Mr. Walter Wycherley was reappointed as sales manager.

It was also decided to send Mr. Albert Meyer and Mr. Carroll Lovering to represent the International Stamp Club at the United Stamp Societies Convention to be held this year on Decoration Day in Philadelphia as guests of the Philadelphia Stamp Club.

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# AIR MAIL FLASHES

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This department belongs to our readers and we ask you to send all information received to the Editor as soon as possible and same will be acknowledged

## Future Zeppelin Flights

The Graf Zeppelin is evidently trying to develop summer tourist business in aerial sight-seeing trips by the Graf over Europe, as evidenced by the tentative itinerary, announced by the Hamburg-American line, as booking agent:

The schedule follows:

June 21, Cruise to Bavarian forest, with landing at Munich, and continuing to Berlin.

June 22-25, Short flights over Berlin and return to Friedrichshafen.

June 27 or 28, to Vienna.

June 29, to Muenster, Westphalia, and return.

July 2, Cruise over South German Alps.

July 5-6, Night flight to Cologne, Flight over Rhine, and return.

July 8-11, Northland cruise to Tromsø or to the North Cape, 48 hours.

July 12 or 13, To Neustadt and return.

July 15, Northland Cruise probably to Spitzbergen, about 60 hours.

July 22, Iceland cruise, about 60 hours.

July 29, To England, Scotland and Ireland, 48 hours.

August 2 or 3, to Darmstadt, landing and return.

August 5, To Maderia and Tenerife, returning probably via Azores, 60 hours.

August 12, To Baltic Sea over Denmark, Sweden and Finland, 48 hours.

August 19, Mediterranean cruise, over Italy, Sicily, Adria, and Karst, Austria, 48 hours.

August 30 or 31, Leipzig Fair, with landing.

Without question mail will be carried and dropped on all of these flights and here is surely plenty of opportunity for Graf collectors to work out their enthusiasm, if there is any left after the South American flight of the dirigible.

## Kearney or Sunnyvale

The Navy Board has not yet decided which of these two fields will be the site of the Navy Dirigible Base. R. D. Brown, of Huntington Beach, Cal., advises that he is holding about 2500 covers sent over a period of two years for dedications at that city and Newport, both of which now seem to be entirely off; and that unless collectors advise him differently, he will mail all of these at the dedication of the Navy Dirigible Base, whichever one it may be.

## Nebraska Air Tour

Starts from Lincoln, June 23rd, visiting Fremont, Columbus, Norfolk, Niobrara, Oneill, Valentine, Chadron, Alliance, Scottsbluff, Ogallala, North Platte, Broken Bow, Holdrege, Kearney, Hastings, Fairbury, Beatrice, Falls City and Omaha. No word as to cachets.

## National Air Races

During these races at Chicago, from Sept. 23 to 31st, the following events may be of interest to collectors: Woman's Derby from California to Chicago; Woman's Dixie Derby; Non-stop New England Derby from Boston to Chicago; and Non-stop Derby from Philadelphia to Chicago.

## Iowa Air Tour

Starts from Des Moines, June 16th, visiting Centerville, Burlington, Davenport, DeWitt, Iowa City, Ottumwa, Charles City, Algona, Estherville, Emmetsburg, Sioux City, Atlantic, Creston and Marengo. George Yates is chairman, but no word as to cachets.

## The Dickason Auction

At this Fourth Auction of the well known Auctioneer, held at the Hollenden Hotel, at Cleveland, Ohio, on May 23 and 24th, something over 3,000 fine lots of Airpost Covers changed hands, and many of these represented good

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bargains to the new collector owners. Pioneers and FAM's seemingly brought the best prices, and in the unofficial sections, Airport dedications were in the best demand. If you are passing up the auctions, you are missing good sport as well as good opportunities to acquire first class covers at real prices.

#### Havana on FAM No. 5

It now seems certain that the stop of the Lindbergh Plane, which left Miami, April 26, at Havana, was in fact the first official mail carried on FAM 5, between those cities, and which most of us overlooked. No cachet was used, and only a small quantity of mail carried, but this undoubtedly a first day mail between those points, on FAM No. 5.

#### England to Australia

Amy Johnson, the English aviator, successfully completed her flight from England to Australia, and while she did not break any record has shown that such a mail route is entirely feasible. The really wonderful part of the thing is that Miss Johnson made her first solo flight less than one year ago, and prior to this trip had flown no flight exceeding one hundred miles.

#### Destruction of Stamps

Air Mail Collectors have just cause for complaint of the manner in which stamps on this class mail are very often cancelled. They are usually commemorative stamps or others of value, and many times are smeared and hand-cancelled, when there are the regular canceling machines right in the office. Considering the extra postage paid, and the large numbers of which belong to collectors, we surely wish our Uncle Samuel could induce his employees to cancel air mail with care.

#### Endurance Flight

The New York & New Jersey Endurance Flight will take off about June 17th, in an effort to beat the present record of 420 hours, by re-fueling and changing pilots. They will carry mail already sent in, as well as pick up daily all mail received during the flight. A very attractive cachet has been provided, showing dates, and same will also be autographed by pilots.

#### A Fine Tour Collection

From the collectors' standpoint, the New England Air Tour was the best handled event of this kind of which we know. In fact these fourteen covers make a very nice little collection of themselves, and the list follows: Keene, N. H., cachet, map of state, May 27th; White River Junction, May 27th, fine ca-

## Coming Events

A Calendar of Coming Events.  
Only events with known dates within six weeks will be listed. Information for this list should be sent to

H. G. KINGDOM

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JUNE 20, 21, 1930—Allentown, Pa. Dedication. Send to C. of C.

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?—Dalton, Ga. Send to C. of C.

JULY 3-5, 1930—Medford, Ore. Dedication. Send to C. of C.

JULY 4, 1930—Kelso, Washington, Airport Dedication. Send to Kelso Airport, Kelso, Wash.

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JULY 4, 1930—Baton Rouge, La., Dedication. Send to C. of C.

JULY 4, 1930—Waterbury, Conn., Dedication. Send to J. J. Kelley, Box No. 334, Waterbury, Conn.

JULY 4, 1930—Ft. Garland, Colo., Dedication. Send to Geo. B. Hoagland, Ft. Garland, Colo.

JULY 4, 1930—Danville, Va., Dedication. Send to F. L. Pickle, 835 Stokes St., Danville, Va.

JULY 4, 1930—Charleston, W. Va., Dedication. Send to C. of C.

JULY 4-5, 1930—Harrisburg, Pa., Dedication. Send to C. of C.

JULY 29-30, 1930—Bay City, Mich. Send to Martin Crowl, 204 Ottawa St., Bay City, Mich.

?—Cadillac, Mich., Dedication. Send to Lee Worden, City Clerk, at Cadillac, Mich.

chet; Springfield, Vt., May 27th, Map of state, same day; Turners Falls, Mass, and Concord, N. H., May 29th; Providence, R. I. and Hartford, Conn., May 30; Augusta, Me., Fitchburg and Leominster, Mass. Dedication at Agawam, and Air Races, June 1st, as well as one cover carried on the whole flight.

#### Fort Garland, Colo.

Will dedicate Airport on July 4th, send covers unsealed to Geo. B. Hoagland, that city. Fine cachet, autographs, and some of the early covers will be signed by Kit Carson, grandson of the famous old Scout. Better get this one.

#### Salem, Oregon

When the N. W. Pacific Air Tour visits Salem, sometime in June or July, C. S. Douglas, Route 6. Box 138, will see that your covers are mailed, if you send them to him soon enough.

#### An Interesting Cover

A correspondent recently sent me a cover of very much interest to the dirigible collector. On March 31st the command of the Los Angeles was transferred from Commander Wiley to Commander Clarke, and a cover stating that

fact, autographed by both Commanders, and carried on a short flight made by the ship that day, was mailed at Lakehurst that same day. A nice tie-up of this event.

#### Saginaw, Michigan

W. J. Foley writes that he and Junior Chamber of Commerce are holding many covers for the Dedication which cannot take place this year, and that unless you write them to return covers, they will mail them on the day the Michigan Air Tour visits Saginaw, for which a cachet will be provided.

#### Braddock, Pa.

The 175th Anniversary of Braddock's Defeat, July 8-9, will be celebrated with a Big Doings in connection with the issue of the new U. S. Stamp. A cachet will be provided by the Rotary Club, to whom covers should be sent.

#### South American Zeppelin Stamps

Argentina overprinted the current 20c, 50c, \$1, \$1.80, and \$3.60 Air Mail stamps "1 er vuelo Zeppelin 1930", and Uruguay prepared a cachet for the occasion. Their mail was picked up by a Condor plane and carried to Pernambuco for delivery to the airship.

Brazil issued special stamps as follows: 5 Mil. green, 10 Mil. red, and 20 Milreis, ultramarine for Europe. They were printed in Germany, on silky paper, with octagonal watermarks, with wording "1930 Primeiro voo Commercial, Brazil-Europa".

—A. H. Davis.

Looks to the writer, as if these, Argentine and Uruguay latters to U. S. would be scarce items.

#### Pacific N. W. Tour

Late information is to the effect that this tour will leave Tacoma the latter part of June, stopping at Chehalis, Centralia and Vancouver, Washington; Salem, Tillamook, Springfield, Albany, Grants Pass, Medford, Klamath Falls, Lakeview and Burns, Oregon; Boise and Pocatello, Idaho; Baker, LaGrande and Pendleton, Oregon; and Walla Walla, Spokane, Wenatchee, Yakima, The Dalles, to Portland. No word on cachets, but likely some will have. Covers may be sent to Jas. W. Bethune, 905 "C" St., Vancouver, Wash.; to R. W. Meinhoff, P. O. Box 3311, Portland, Ore.; to American Legion, Tillamook, Ore.; to Burt Thomas, % Airport, The Dalles, Ore.; A. R. Christopherson, Yakima, Wash.

#### National Air Races

The Chicago Air Race Corporation is preparing a special 6% size air mail envelope for the National Air Races to be held Aug. 23 to Sept. 1st. This will make a set of ten covers which will be mailed



to collectors at \$1.50 per set. The first cover from Chicago and all others from Glenview, Ill. A special cachet will be used, in different color each day. Collectors may send in their covers not exceeding two for each day, ready to go. Address: Director of Cachets, National Air Races, Suite 295, Sherman Hotel, Chicago, Ill.

#### Miscellaneous

Charles, W. V., dedication now set for July 4th.—Evansville, Ind., on June 16th.—National elimination balloon race at Houston, Texas, postponed from June 10th to July 4th.—Danville, Va., dedication set for July 4th.

A fine list of contributors this week: Everett Wallster, Frank L. Jeffries, B. F. Wilde, Buell A. French, G. B. Camp, J. W. Stoutzenburg, Anna M. Schaffer, Albert Elgar, A. H. Davis, Ralph Duncan, M. F. Camley, G. A. Zimmerman, Donald Dickason, P. J. Vabinder, and John A. Moore.

#### PRINTING PROCESS TO BE DEMONSTRATED

The McKenzie Engraving Company, who are making an engraved Poster Stamp for the Boston Show, will give a series of lectures illustrated by plates, dies, rollers, prints, etc., in connection with the exhibits at the National Philatelic Exhibition to be held at Horticultural Hall, Boston, from August 11 to 16 inclusive.

#### MR. AND MRS.

The above title to a syndicated colored page appearing in many newspapers has to do with the Mr.'s. discovery of his old stamp collection in the attic, while the Mrs. looks over the old family tin type album and tries on some of her 1910 hats.

#### BOSTON SHOW PUBLICITY

The Boston Post of Sunday, May 25 contains a four column article on Air Mail and other stamps. It is printed with reference to exhibits to be at the Boston A. P. S. Show in August. The article is very well prepared by Leo Rabbette and is illustrated with numerous air mail covers from the collection of R. T. Stevens, Eugene Klein and others.

## American Air Mail Society Convention

The 1930 Convention of the American Air Mail Society will convene in Cleveland, Ohio, at the Hollenden Hotel on Aug. 28th, 29th and 30th, 1930. The Cleveland Air Mail Society, Branch No. 3 of the AAMS will be the host and as you read what has already been planned for this gathering of air mail enthusiasts, you will agree that a real host they will be to their guests.

Air mail stamp and cover collecting is now firmly entrenched in the field of hobbies and has assumed a very prominent spot in the philatelic world. Air mail has been the incentive to bringing many new collectors into the philatelic fraternity and therefore at this time, is able to assume an independent place among the branches of collecting.

The American Air Mail Society is holding its 1930 Convention at a time when it has membership numbering well over a thousand collectors and will therefore be able to have a Convention that will be equal to that of any of the other philatelic societies.

The most important question that interests the collectors is what is planned for the Convention and here it is perhaps partly in skeleton but will give you sufficient evidence to convince you that as an airmail enthusiast, you should attend this Convention.

An Air Mail Stamp and Cover Exhibition will be held during the Convention. This will be the first Exhibition ever held in the United States in which only airmail stamps and covers will be exhibited. The Committee in charge are now working out group divisions and classes for the exhibition as well as the rules and regulations of the Exhibition and they will soon be available. The American Air Mail Society will sponsor the award of medals for each group of covers after the entrants have been properly judged by expert air mail judges. This Exhibition will afford you a chance to see some of the real rarities in the air mail stamp and cover hobby and should be sufficient incentive for all collectors to attend the Convention.

August 28th, the first day of the Convention will see the opening of the Convention and in the evening will be the official reception of the Convention attendants.

August 29th, in the evening will be the Convention Banquet which promises to be a gala affair, and

the prominent speakers for which will be announced later.

August 30th, the last day of the Convention, will see in the afternoon all of the delegates on a trek to Akron, Ohio, for an official visit and inspection of the new Navy Dirigible ZRS No. 4 and recently named "The Akron." It is well to bear in mind that only at special times and in special groups are persons permitted to see this huge ship under construction. This is a treat that no one interested in airmail covers should miss. Just a warning, if any of the delegates to the Convention are not American Citizens, it will be necessary for them to secure a special permit from the Navy Dept. at Washington, D. C., before they will be permitted inside the grounds housing the the ZRS No. 4. This is a naval regulation which of course has no exceptions. In the evening, of this same day will see an Air Mail Stamp and Cover Auction under the guidance of that peer of auctioneers, Donald E. Dickason and it is planned to have in this auction some real covers for the fans to bid upon.

The balance of the time will be used for business sessions of the Society which are indeed very important and should be well attended by members of the Society. Our officers and directors will not know what is the opinion of the majority of the members of the society unless it is asserted and at the Convention is the best time to express any matters of policy regarding the Society.

That looks fairly good doesn't it? But that's not all. All the members should plan to bring their wives and family with them as the Cleveland Air Mail Society has several lady members which are planning plenty of entertainment for the ladies all during the Convention.

Just a word about the Cleveland Air Mail Society, host to AAMS during this Convention. This society is one year old, in June 1930, has over one hundred members, all active collectors and over seventy-five per cent of which are active in the interests of the society. Does that not show that it is a Society which will put over a Convention in grand style? This Convention will afford all collectors an excellent opportunity to get personally acquainted with some of these men who are prominent not only in the Cleveland Society but in AAMS or some other part



of the air mail world. It will give you a chance to see and get acquainted with Mr. H. H. Griffin, President of CAMS and Director in AAMS; J. T. Schweier, Secretary of CAMS and Express Editor of Dworak Catalogue; C. L. Gates and F. W. Grant, Vice Pres. and Treas. of CAMS; H. G. Kingdom, Air Mail Editor of Linn's Weekly Stamp News; Donald E. Dickason, Air Mail Editor of Mekeels and Vice-Pres. AAMS and Auctioneer Excellent; Paul Hudson, Director of CAMS and President of Cleveland Stamp Club, Branch of SPA; and the writer, Geo. D. Kingdom, Air Mail Editor of Gossip, Air Mail Collector, and Dworak Catalogue, Section No. 10 as well as many others who will be there all the time working to show you a good time and an excellent Convention.

This Convention affords all those attending, the further opportunity of meeting and getting acquainted with the Officers and Directors of the Air Mail Society to which you belong. To the writer, this alone is a rare treat to be able to sit down and talk with those whom you have read about and know are interested wholeheartedly in the welfare of the American Air Mail Society and the Air Mail Hobby.

There is just one thing to do, now. Make yourself a committee of one to set aside the dates of August 28, 29 and 30th, to attend the American Air Mail Society Convention and be in on the greatest conclave of air mail collectors ever gathered together. Don't forget, further details will be forthcoming but you can be sure that this will be a Convention worth attending and the dates once more are August 28, 29 and 30th, and the city is Cleveland and the hotel is The Hollenden and the occasion is the 1930 Convention of the American Air Mail Society.

Note: The two days following are holidays, Sunday and Labor Day, and in Cleveland, Ohio, on Sunday will be an Air Carnival and on Labor Day the Gordon Bennett Balloon Races.

## San Francisco Stamp Society's First Annual Stamp Exhibit

By EVERETT ERLE

Promptly at 6 p. m. the doors of the Sharon room of the Palace Hotel were thrown open to the eager and expectant gathering of stamp collectors and their friends. And their expectations were fully realized. For this, the First regular postage stamp exhibition of the San Francisco Stamp Society was an exhibit of which the officers and members of the Society were justly proud.

The committee had worked long into the night arranging and mounting the frames and now everything was in its place. Extending the length of the room were two rows of easels with frames—two high—on each side.

The first frames to greet the eye were those of the Oakland Philatelic Society, Golden Gate Precancel Society, The Boeing Air Transport and the San Francisco Stamp Society. The O. P. S. frame contained the various "locals" which the society has issued for its annual banquets, together with the philatelic menus and place cards. The G. G. P. S. showed a frame of precancels exemplary of the Society's activity. The types of award ribbons made up the display of the S. F. S. S. Each frame also contained notices of dates of meeting for each society.

Following these were the airmails—stamps and covers. A hasty view of these showed many of the outstanding rarities. Included were the following: The Ecuador Official with inverted overprint (An unusual happening in an American Bank Note Company printing); Guatemala double overprint in two colors; a block of eight of the 40c Mexico air week; blocks of the Curacao airmails; a set of the recent and rare Honduras overprints; as well as many other notable airmail issues. In covers there were many C. A. M. and Dedications—including some very attractive Japanese first flights and some foreign.

Wells Fargo and other Express covers were represented to the tune of \$25,000; U. S. proofs and essays were in evidence also. In U. S. Colonies Mr. Schwabacher's frames of complete sheets of Hawaiians was outstanding.

A list of the prize winners will not be amiss:

In 19th Century U. S., Mr. A. H. Wilhelm received first award with H. Loeb and A. Swart, re-

ceiving second and third respectively.

Mr. Fred Bold, past-president of the S. F. S. S., was given first award in the 20th Century U. S. section and Mr. Ragsdale received second award. Mr. O. F. Braecklin of Los Angeles, received a first award for his exhibition of P. P. I. E. issue of the U. S., which included the approved designs accompanied by the signature of approval of the Postmaster General. Included was a fine block of the scarce lake shade of the 2c variety.

In U. S. Revenues Mr. Ed. Smith received first award and Mr. Harry E. Gray, Editor of the West Coast Column of Gossip, second.

W. R. Parker received first award for Western Franks and his exhibit was judged one of the outstanding ones of the exhibition. Mr. G. M. Hackett of Palo Alto was second with a fine array of Express covers included. Mr. F. Dewitt's frame with California City Letter Express, on cover, together with covers with Alta Express and the Vigilante stamps on cover.

In Proofs and Essays Mr. A. H. Wilhelm was given first award, and Julius Loeb received first award for his Confederate stamps. There was not much competition in these two classes.

In U. S. Possessions Mr. J. H. Schwabacher's frames of complete sheets of Hawaiians easily won first award, with Alexander Duffer's Hawaiians receiving second place. L. C. Muller's frames of Canal Zone, well written up, was awarded third place.

A frame of Penny Blacks, together with some outstanding British, including a superb used specimen of the 5—No. 137, won first award for Mr. H. Alston, while his frame of Mulready Envelopes was given second award.

Mr. J. Hyman of the Pacific Stamp Society exhibited frames of Canada which won for him his first award.

In British Colonial section Mr. H. Perry (Irish Free State); Mr. Charlie Arp (Cape Triangles) and Mr. L. Levy were given first, second and third awards, respectively.

European Countries: C. Arp, first; I. Frohmann, second; and S. Hertzmann third.

Charlie Arp was given another first award in Section D. for his frames of 1st issues of South America, while Paul Duffer's specialized collection of Chile won for

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him second place, third award going to H. Wiener for frames of Mexican rarities.

Mr. W. A. H. Connor's specialized collection of the first issues of Japan was awarded first place in Senior Class of this division, while Jack Hughes Samoa, specialized won first place for him in the Junior class.

In airmail stamps Mr. F. M. Farrar received first award; Mr. H. Muth, second, while in airmail covers, Mr. E. Earle received first award for a frame of foreign covers; Mr. M. Michaels, second for a frame of Dedication covers and Mr. T. Shimomura, third for a fine frame of Japanese covers.

Section G—Specialized issue—Dr. K. M. Day's 10c 1859-68 won for him first award; H. Marcus, second with his Danish West Indies and W. Wilson third for his specialized Switzerland issue.

Mr. Zachorek's Germany, specialized according to use, won for him first award in this class, while H. Sandberg's frames of 3c 1851, won first place for him in Specialized according to cancellations. Mr. E. Erle's frame of the U. S. Hawaiian issue on covers from out of the-way points—Haiti, Cuba, etc., was awarded second place.

Parker received another first award for the Historical Subject Class, with J. C. Adams and R. Lockwood receiving second and third awards.

In Precancels, Parker Haydon received first award for his Bureau Prints; E. Wernstrom, second for his S. F. precancels and J. Schmerl third.

In group five, Mr. Stahn's frames of oddities, varieties, and the like received first award, A. Anderberg's well written up collection, with reference to the designs of stamps received second award and Mr. Erle's frame of covers from "Outposts of the World" (Tristan da Cunha and Byrd's Little America) received third award.

Bertram H. W. Poole's frames "An Impression of Modernistic Philately" was given a first award and the following were also given first awards: B. Mitchell for his frame of Congo, inverts and errors; and Leon Munier for a frame of counterfeits.

There were special awards for the school exhibitors also, the following schools being represented: Lick-Wilmerding, Mission High, John Swett Union High and Madison School. Lloyd Logan was given a special award for having the most artistic exhibit.

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## NEW BUREAU PRECANCEL CATALOGUE

The Hoover Brothers have just issued a new edition of the Mitchell-Hoover Bureau Precancel Catalogue, thus bringing it as near up to date as was possible. Collectors who follow these stamps will doubtless be glad of an opportunity to acquire this new book and thus keep up on price changes, etc.

Speaking of the matter of price changes, there is every reason why a regular feature on changes of price should be made a part of the listing of these issues. It so frequently happens with precancels that when a stamp is priced at some substantial figure that various parties acquire quantities of this particular stamp in ways that are familiar to all and in ways that are peculiar to the precancel hobby alone. Some method of cutting these figures quickly in print, should be devised by the catalogue publishers. As the matter is now handled the parties bringing out these certain stamps are allowed to hawk them about for a matter of six months or so and then when every collector has been supplied the new catalog comes along and cuts the price to what it should be, thus making a "sour grapes" dose for precancels.

Linn's Weekly Stamp News will volunteer to print price changes on Bureau Print Precancels as often as the publishers of the catalog will supply them. Thus there is nothing left except for the publishers either to maintain their present system or to give collectors quick information on these hoards of sleepers.

To one who works with Bureau Prints for a brief time it soon becomes apparent that the really interesting part of the material is the coil pairs. The present plan of pricing these varieties is of no value and we hope to see a definite plan worked out for a regular method of pricing these varieties on a basis of their actual scarcity.

The catalogue is published by Hoover Brothers, 1261 Broadway, New York, N. Y.

## MORE ZEPP NEWS

A couple of weeks ago one of our subscribers who is somewhat of a wit, rushed us the information that there was an error on the new U. S. Zeppelin stamps, he stated that the word Graf had the final T missing. Curious enough, after we printed this little fling at the stamps, we had several inquiries from readers who seriously asked us if the omission of the letter T was actually an error.

In Germany, Graf is correct but it seems that there would be little difficulty in showing that this last trip of the big gas bag could properly be labeled "Graft Flight" and the name would fit very well.

We understand that Uncle Samuel's share out of the \$2.60 stamps is just 42 cents. From Brazil we learn that a special air mail stamp for this flight was also prepared and that when the big balloon was in Brazil the Zeppelin authorities charged admission to the grounds over which it maneuvered or landed. Sixty cents for standing room in nearby fields to as high as \$3.60 for admission to the fields.

The flight was played up like a circus coming to town, all over the route and the rake-off that the Zeppelin Company got must have been quite heavy.

## ESPERANTO STAMPS

Word has been received by the National Secretary of the Esperanto language movement that the government of Lichtenstein is issuing a series of official pictorial post-cards with descriptive text in Esperanto. Lichtenstein is a small but picturesque principality, tucked away in the mountains between Switzerland and Austria.

—Frank Herget.

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### THE STAMPIC BACKGROUND

#### Mulford's Stamp News Service

The death of former president Taft occurred on March 8, 1930. William Howard Taft, who served as Supreme Court Justice at the time of his passing, will henceforward soon be visioned on a current postage stamp.

The Dominican Republic has a new government, as a result of a five-day revolution in February. Cause: Stand of President Vasquez to run for re-election; result: his overthrow and the inauguration of a new executive March 4, General Urena.

Haiti has strongly protested against an American High Commissioner directing its affairs, and against American occupation. If American Marines are withdrawn, it will mean the end of Marine cancellations on letters from Haiti.

Peru has approved the adoption of a new monetary unit, the gold sol, 40-cent valuation in American money, which replaces the Peru-

vian pound (exchange value of which was \$4).

What the effect of the arrest of Mahatma Gandhi will have in India is not known. It would be interesting to philatelists to follow trends over there if India was granted or obtained a new governmental status—which would mean different postage.

The resignation of Primo de Rivera, dictator of Spain, did not cause any tremendous ripple in that land, and the government remains a kingdom, though for a time it was believed a revolution would ensue as a result of the resignation. However, there seems to be an increasing desire for a republic. General Berenguer was selected as premier to succeed Rivera.

England, the Hejaz and Nejd have reached amicable relationships, and the three nations will exchange ambassadors, and each recognize the independence of the others. This is a progressive step, as Hejaz and Nejd had previously been unfriendly.

### STAMPS STOLEN

Harry Ioor of 802 State Life Building, Indianapolis, Indiana, asks that we broadcast the information that his entire stock of mint and used U. S. stamps was stolen from his office on May 31st. The material was in two small Elbe Stock Books and consisted mostly of 20th century stamps. There was also one Scott National Album. The material is valued at about \$2,000. Mr. Ioor will pay a liberal reward for information leading to the recovery of these stamps.

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A great success! That was the unanimous verdict rendered by the jury of 67 participants of the Yorkville Stamp Society's Sixth Anniversary Dinner. Everyone was satisfied. Dinner was served at 7:30. The dinner was followed by a few speeches. President I. Reiner, welcomed everyone in behalf of the society and introduced the speakers. Major Guy W. A. Camp, President of Branch No. 1 Society of Philatelic Americans, thanked the Yorkville Stamp Society for its kind invitation and wished us luck for the future. Mr. R. C. Bach, editor of the Stamp Collector's Magazine, and Mr. Frank L. Wilson, assistant editor of the Stamp News, both gave us very interesting talks on philatelic publishing game and complimented us on our attendance. Mr. Gilmore E. Martin, President of the Sheephead Bay Stamp Club extended greetings from that organization and told us of some of their plans.

The auction was next on the program. All lots were donated by members. They all brought very fine prices as there was lots of spirited bidding. The vocal powers of Mr. Samuel Boyaner, our full-lunged auctioneer were tested to their utmost and were found not wanting. On behalf of the Yorkville Stamp Society I wish to take this opportunity to publicly thank all who were so generous with their donations. Over forty dollars were realized as a result of the auction.

The Yorkville Stamp Society meets every Friday evening at 7:30 at 1523 Second Ave., above the Cafe Abazzia. Visitors are always welcome. For further information write

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It was fitting that the portrait of the late William H. Taft should appear on a postage stamp but it does seem a little unfair that the new stamp should replace the 4-cent Martha Washington issue. Her portrait is relegated to the reply portion of the 2-cent business postal card.

There have been a good many distinguished women in American life and it is somewhat curious that Martha Washington, in this age of advancing feminism, should have been the only member of her sex to get on a postage stamp. Dropping her portrait from the regular stamp issue should provide the radical feminists with another real grievance. —Boston Post.

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